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Adjourned Meeting of the Honolulu Fire Dep rtment.

The Board of Representatives of the Honoulu Fire Department met on Thursday evening at the room of Engine Co. No. 2, Chief Engineer Wilson in the chair. After reading the Minutes of the last meeting, Mr. Henry Smith, Secretary, proceeded to read the following communications: EUREAU HONOLULU FIRE DEPARTMENT,

Honolum, July 14th, 1887. | His Excellency Lorrin A. Taurston, Min-ister of Interior—Dear Six-Permit me to sequent your Excellency with the present status of the Fire Department in regard to its coler executive officers. On account of a discovered non-observance of law on the matter, the election of the donartment held Monday. June 6th ult., was declared null and void at the meeting of me department neld last week, and the seats of Chief and First and Second Assistant En gineers were declared vacant. The Chair man of last's weeks meeting, deemed it es-sential for the good of the department, or-

Some of the members of the department, I have the monor to be, your Excellency's bedient servant. HENRY SMITH, obedient servant. Sec. H. F. D. and Chairman of Election.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, Honordeu, July 14, 1887. Mr. Henry Smith, Secretary Handula Fire Department, and Chairman of Election-LEAB Sin: The receipt of your communication of Isth instant, remains to the election of the executive officers of the Fire Department, is

hereby acknowledged. I would say in reply that I have examined the law referring to the election of officers of the Fire Lepartment, which limits the votes to certificate members of the Fire De-I have also been given to understand that

such limitation was not observed at the last

election, which is the reason for declaring the election void. The statute fixes the first Monday in June for election of Guief and Assi tent Engineers. That date has passed without a proper election taking place. The question now arises: Can a new election be ordered; and if so, by whom?

The statute does not say that no election shall be held upon any other day, but there being a duty to be performed, it is directed to be performed upon a certain day. If for any other reason the daty is not performed upon that day, it still remains to be performed. The object of the law is to have an election, and the choe of holding the election not being the essence of the matter, I am of

can and should be ordered. As to who h s the right to call the election: The statute is silent upon the subject, and the Department Constitution refers only to filling vacancies. in which case the power is given to the Chief

Engineer to order the election. As the present case involves the election of the Chief Engineer bimself, and also both Assistants, this article does not seem to apply. It is for the public good that the Fire De partment should be thoroughly organized. The department is onder the general supervision of the Minister of the Interior, and it is his duty to see that all branches of his depurtment are kept properly organized and in working order. Under this general au-thority, in the absence of any special statute and for the purpose of remedying the present ansatisfactory condition of things, I feel

Feeling that there should be no more delay than is reasonably necessary, the first Mor-day in August is hereby fixed as the day for holding the election.

I have the honor to be your obedient ser-

justified in ordering an election for Chief and Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department.

Bervant, L. A. Teussron,
Minster of the Interior. On motion of Foreman More, the communications were accepted and placed on file.
Assistant Foreman McDonald moved that the instructions of the Minister of the terior be carried out with the same Judge

and tellers as at the last election.

A motion to hold the election Wednesday,
August 3d, providing the Minister had no objection, was put and carried. Coner Engineer Wilson said: My reason for contesting the late election was not on constitutional points, but with regard to the manner in which Pacific Hose Company, No. I, placed members illegally on its roll. In April, forty-toree names appeared on

company's roll. A meeting was held May 9.h. and thirty-four new members were elected. Twenty-four signed the Constitution, while the remaining ten were not allowed to do so. The latter made application, but were told that the Constitution could not be found. I took a stand on that point, it looking to me as if there was something irregular. On June 6th the roll showed one hundred names. That is my main pro-test, as after May 9th no meeting of the company was held. No special meeting had been called, but there were secret meetings held.

Foreman Monsarrat: According to the minutes of a meeting held April 11th, it was decided to increase the company. On May the large numb rof names were presente On May 12th, at a special meeting called by eight meanwers, certain names were put in and elected in proper form. We can put 10,000 names on our roll, if we so desire, and there is nothing in the Constitution to stop All the members were selected properly, and are good men, and will stay.
Chief E wineer Wilson then read the fol-

lowing legal opinion he had had prepared on the matter: HONOLULU, July 14th. - C. B Wilson Esq -Dear Sin: In the matter of the election of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department of Honolulu, and the

eligibility of voters, and also of the election

and qualification of members of ellose Com-

tion and by-laws of the Honolula Fire De-cartment and B and of Representatives, the laws of the Kingdom and the constitution and by-laws of Hose Company No. 1, and 1 find as tollows:

Co. No. 1. By section 7 of Article III, of the by laws but the Company will not assume any risk of of the Hose Co. No. 1, the Secretary shall notify in writing every newly elected member. and on such member complying with the requirements of the constitution, he shall fur-

ish him with a certificate of membership, It is absolutely necessory to sign the constitution and by-laws, A special meeting must specify the objects of the meeting, and especially that members or candidates are proposed for election, and notice note the given of the same to all mem-

bers of the company This is a rule in all matters concerning bylaws and special meetings, and must be followed, or election of members is illegal. The certificate of membership is necessary to enable a member to vote at the election for Engineers. And no member can be legally placed on the rall of membership un-

less be receive a certificate of membership, 2. Section 332 of the Civil Code provides

the Chief Engineer and the two As-

sistant Engineers stell be elected annually on the first Monday in June by the certificate , members of the Fire Departme it. And by section 33 those elections shall be onducted in such manner as the by-laws of the department shall prescribe.

notala Fire Deportment also provides that at such meetings, "All members of companies of this dep rment and in good stamthe shall be allowed to vote. Article 3 provides that the representatives of the department shall appoint one judge and two clerks at the annual election, and shall furnish them with correct roll of the

mem ers of each company who are entitled

Article II also provides for a "certificate From the laws of the Kingdom and the and also of Hose Company No. I, it is abso-'certificate of membership" before he

On presentation of this roll to the Board of Representatives, they ought to revise the same, and correct it according to cerdificate If a indidates were proposed and elected at a supposed special meeting of Hose Company No. 1, without any notice of such meetng betng given to regular members of such company, then the meeting and election is

illegal, and such candidates cannot legally

the general election in June for engineers are "certificate" members, and none others

the only voters duly qualified to vote at

be given a certificate of membership.

can cast a legal vote. Yours respectfully. W. Austin Whitiso. A recommendation from Mr. Henry Smith. Chairman of Elections, was distributed enong the members. It concludes by saying that a certified member of the department who is in good standing is "entitled to ail the privileges which the Liws reguliting the depirtment grant to its members," therefore he should have a voice in the matter of choosing executive officers of the department.

Mr. Henry Smith was re-elected Secretary and Treesurer, and Mr. J. W. McGuire Fire Marshal, both by acctamation The two gentlemen returned thanks in an apropriate manner. Secretary Smith said he had been instructed by No. 2 Company to present the follow-

ing resolution:

Resolved, That the limit of voting me

On a standing vote being taken, it resulted

in a tie, ten for and ten against. The Chairman gave his casting vote in favor of the resolution, and it was adopted. The meeting then adjourned.

Reception on the U.S. Adams-

Wednesday afternoon a very pleasant re-ception was held on board of the U. S. S. Adams, at which U. S. Minister Merrit and Mrs. Merrit, H. B. M.'s Commissioner, Major Wodehouse, U. S. Consul-General Put-nam and Miss Patham, were present, together with a number of our leading citizens. Captain Kempff and his officers were assiduous in their aftentions to make the afternoon a pleasant one for their guests. Dancing was indulged in to the sweet strains of a string band selected from Berger's boys. A feature of the afternoon was an exhibition of spar torpedo firing by electricity, which to many here was a new departure, and created great interest. So foreible was the con-cussion that those on board were sensibly affected. The party retired well pleased with the afternoon's amusements.

H. B. M's S. Conquest.

On Wednesday afternoon this war vessel was signalled in sight from Diamond Head, and arrived off the port at 5 p. m., where sao fixed a royal sainte, and shortly after entered the passage for the harbor. When rounding the lighthouse the shore buttery at Kakunko responded with a royal salate. After reaching her anchorage, the Conquest was boarded by H. B. M's Commissioner and Consul General, Major J. H. Wodehouse, who was received on board with the customary salute. The Conquest is what is known as a cor-vette, and 2,380 tons measurement, 2,670 horse power, and capable of steaming 14 knots. Her arm ment comprises 14 guns of the latest and most improved make. She carries a crew of 250 men. The following is a list of

a crew of 250 meh. The following is the collecters:
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Rae, Richard A. Gwyun, John Martin.
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Paymasicr—Athor E. Whitams.
Staff Engineer—John Johnson.
Sub-Lieutenant—Chas. Mure
Assistant Paymasicr—Robert E. Smith.
Engineer—Samuel Aston

Engineer-Samuel Aston The Conquest is list from Esquimalt, B. , which port she left on the 2d inst., and was II days on the run down. She reports the man-of-war Warrior as bound for Handlaid, and may be looked for about August 1st. The Conquest will probably remain here un-th the arrival of the Wild Swan.

St. Alban's College.

The closing exercises at this institution were held on Friday, July 15th. From 10 a.m. till 130 p. m. the scholars were put through a review of their studies, consisting of blackboard work in arithmene, algebra geometry and grammatic d musiysis. The work was well put down, showing neatness and dispitch. The classes in Latin brought forward pupils from the very commencement to these fairly advanced, and all ac-quitted themselves with credit. The French cheses deserve special mention. Mr. Atkin son his succeeded in teaching his pupils i correct accent, and has been ably secon by Miss Aikinson, who had pre are all the junior classes. The history exercise was a wost interesting one, the period under review extending from the commencement of the Christian Era to the end of the sixteenth century, and the replies of the pupils were comise and ready. Upon the close of the 1. That to become a member of Hose Co.
No. 1. a candidate must be proposed at a
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Co. No. 1.

The Christian Era to the end of the sixteenth occurry, and the replies of the pupils were comise and ready. Upon the close of the review, the plutform was cleared, and recitations were given by the members of the school. The following is the programme:

"Lady of the Lake," Scott Agnes Perry Kenneth Wodehouse, Harry Mist, "Dorothy's Dream," Anon-Annie Paty,

"Harmosan," Trench-Harry Mactarlane

Scribe-"Leonie," Mamis Paty; "Coun-fe-se d'Autreval," Medice Atkinson; "De Grignon," Herman Whitemann.
"Ivry," Macauley-John Soper.
"Baby Bell," Amrich-Alvina Widemann "Now," Agon-Jennie Gray. " The Purest Pearl," Anou-Willis Corn

The Yarn of the Nancy Bell," Gilbert-Willie Lucas.
"Dora," Tennyson—Belle Louisson. CHARADE-" BLUE BEARD," "Fatima," May Atkinson; "Sister Aune," Alvana Widemann; "Blue Beard," W

well.

The first piece was a very Img one, bein selection from Scott's poem, "Lady of the in which Miss Agnes Perry regite the descriptive portion, while Masters I wodenouse and H. Mist sustained the charte ters of "Booderies Dan" and "Fitz James, The rendering was quite spirited, Aimie Paty's sweet hit! piem, full of quan houghts, was sweetly delivered, white aim ter marry mach clane recited " marmoson in a manly manner, as the pleas requires The selection from Scribe's "But. Dames" again bronger the French popul to the front, Master Widensmit's Imper s nation of the "Lawyer de Lignon" ca, Hairy done, and Alies Statute Pary an Mies holle Atkinson were very gifu will their paris, ratiling off the words up shrugging their should is in true Frencesting, another John Sojer gave another with Considerable door Miss Alvina Widem in a stemation of "Bat" Bell " deserves the highest proces, and spend bugnly for the care that natist have been d voted upon the preparation, have Jenie Gray and Muster Cornwell delivered to short poems, with good feeling and e pression. Master Vittle Lucks brought loud applause for Gitters's cammalist The recttation of "Dora," by mi Belle Louisson, was far above the ordinor school effort. It was a officialt poem, as mirably delivered; every stude, every col ing of the poet's lancy, was dwell upon, at mhout apparent effort. Miss L sections were graceful and a outamous.

The exhibition closed with a character Bine Beard," in which the characters a peared in Eastern costone. Shater Coney "Bine Beard" was copitally thought so and he personated the translettra-o-s fine) Miss Aivina Widemann made a Inscinct "Sister Appe," with a telept for getting in intechter, while Miss May Atameon was engaging "Fatures," and seaster during Low son a gallant "Seilm." The piece was fi of puns, which were delivered so that I smolence could exten them, and, lugar with a couple of sough and a shurt contributed to make a very alutising a very successful little piece.

The rien, C. H. Bunga, President of the Board of Education, pres had the prin On arriving on the platform, but, him and he was gled to see so many present, a unsidered that the students, to whom he just listened, deserved prizes. He felt at time no une but the teachers could fu realize the amount of work involved in

History-Alateu Atkinson, Belle Louise W. Lucas, Maurie Paty. French-Mothe Atkinson, H. Wideman Agnes Perry. Algebra-May Atkinson, W. Coney. Arithmetic-W. Cornwell Vonn Wilson, Germmar and Excellence a ristory-J.

Tue prizes were then distributed as a

nie Gray. Lower Classes-Julius Louisson, Palm Geography-Harry Macfarlane, Alvi Widemann, John Soger. The Princip Campounce I that the holids

would has my weeks, and, after three ch the opinion that the regular time of holding bers of each company be first, and it be from the boys, the anti-ence dispersed the election having taken place, an election made a by-law of the department.

dered an acjournment until tors evening's of membership. meeting, with the hope of getting in the meantime an opinion from the Minister of Interior, Constitution and By-laws of the Department, under whose department the Fire Department is a bureau, as to whether or not anlutely necessary that a member shall receive other election can be legally held. can legally vote, and all parties voting who fearing that nothing definite would be ar-rived at in the meeting this evening, have redo not hold such certificate are illegal voters. No roll of membership is correct legally unless made up of "certificate members quested me to communicate the facts to your excellency and to gain your views on the only matter, in order that they may know how to A member in good standing must have a act, and thus prevent further delay on the pleacertificate of membership.
As to the roll of membership of Hose Comthat the meeting has nothing before it from pany No. 1, it must only contain such names as are signed to the Constitution and Bathe Minister of Interfor. A word from your Excellency would earry weight at the country meeting. I enclose copy of a recommend bership rexcept, of course, expelled or surpended members).